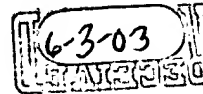


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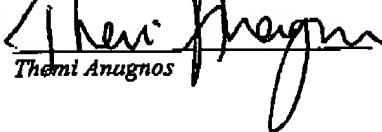
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 3, 2002, and the Advisory Action dated March 31, 2003, Applicants submit the following preliminary amendment.